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REMARKS

Claims 1-20 have been cancelled. New claims 25-38 have been added. Each of claims 25-38 are supported at least in the original claim set or the text beginning on line 1 of page 8 and ending on line 18 of page 9. Reconsideration of the subject application in view of this amendment and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

Patentability of Claims 21-39 Over HuangA. Claims 21-24

Claims 21-24 have been rejected as anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,553,375 to Huang et al. (hereinafter: "Huang"). Claims 25-38 have been added, and their patentability over Huang will be discussed herein. It is respectfully submitted that Huang does not teach all of the elements of claims 21-39.

Claim 21 recites a system for enabling a hand-held, mobile data acquisition device. A software application, located on a remote computer, is provided for use with the mobile data acquisition device. The remote computer transfers the software application from

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the remote computer to the mobile data acquisition device. The mobile data acquisition device includes a User Role selection module, an application list module, and an application selection module. The remote computer installs and activates the software application for use by the mobile data acquisition device. The software application is determined by a user and replaces a factory default software application.

It is respectfully submitted that claim 21 is patentable over Huang, as Huang fails to teach a mobile data acquisition device includes a User Role selection module, an application list module, and an application selection module. A "User Role" is defined explicitly in the text in a manner compensable to one of skill in the art in the specification paragraph beginning on line one of page eight as "a categorical approach to grouping tasks by job responsibility." Huang does not teach any such grouping of applications, and thus does

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not teach a User Role selection module as recited in claim 21.

The Final Office Action cites FIG. 3 and the "updated client application list" as providing this teaching. The cited text and figure, at best, describe a list of application identification information (e.g., name, version, and associated icon) and an associated status for each application. Nothing would indicate a grouping of the text by User Role, or an associated selection module that operates to select applications by any sort of categorical organization. It is thus respectfully submitted that Huang does not teach organization applications according to associated user roles, and thus does not teach a User Role selection module, as recited in claim 21.

Claims 22-24 each depend from claim 21 and should be allowable for at least the same reasons. It is thus submitted that claims 21-24 are patentable over Huang

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and the withdrawal of the rejection of claims 21-24 is respectfully requested.

B. Claims 25-38

New claim 25, as amended, recites a system for enabling a hand-held, mobile data acquisition device. The system includes the mobile data acquisition device and a remote computer that stores a first set of software applications representing a first User Role, for use with the mobile data acquisition device. The remote computer is configured to transfer the first set of software applications from the remote computer to the mobile data acquisition device and install the first set of software applications to replace a factory default software application. Claim 34 recites similar subject matter in method form.

It is respectfully submitted that Huang does not teach the organization of software applications by User Role, which is defined explicitly in the specification in a manner comprehensible to one of skill in the art

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in the paragraph beginning on line one of page eight as "a categorical approach to grouping tasks by job responsibility." There is no such teaching in Huang. The access control list (407/607) controls the access for individual user accounts and devices to the various applications, but there is no organization of the applications by User Role as recited in the claim and defined in the specification. See Huang Col. 5, lines 38-50. The Examiner has cited a portion of Huang that describes downloading a "default set of applications that the client does not have" as a reference to User Roles, but it is respectfully submitted that if the applications are the default set, then they are clearly not defined by an associated User Role as recited in claims 25 and 34. It is thus respectfully submitted that claims 25 and 34 are patentable over Huang.

Claims 26 and 35 further recites that the remote computer can disable the first set of applications and enable a second set of applications defined by a second

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User Role. The Final Office Action points out that Huang teaches deleting applications from the client application list, and reads this deletion as a disabling of the applications.

It is respectfully submitted that Huang does not teach disabling or deleting a set of applications according to an associated User Role as recited in claims 26 and 35. The claims specifically recite that the disabled set of applications is associated with a first User Role and the enabled set of applications is associated with a second User Role. Huang does not teach enabling or disabling applications in groups organized by User Role. It is thus respectfully submitted that claims 26 and 35 is patentable over Huang.

Each of claims 26-33 and 35-38 depend, directly or indirectly, from one of claims 25 and 34 and should be allowable for at least the same reasons. It is thus submitted that claims 25-28 are patentable over Huang

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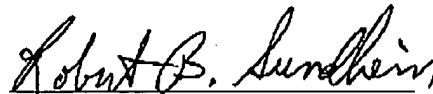
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and the withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1, and 3-10 is respectfully requested.

In light of the above amendment and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the application should be in condition for allowance.

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Respectfully submitted,



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